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Army Gov't in Laos As Premier Flees

VIENTIANE (AP). — Gen. Sounthone Pathammavang on Saturday announced the formation of a temporary military government in this besieged Laotian capital following neutralist Premier Prince Souvanna Phouma's flight to neighbouring Cambodia.

The military government, made up of neutralist and leftist army officers, is headed by Sounthone, a neutralist who was pulled out of semi-retirement last month to head the Government armed forces in this splintering kingdom.

One of Sounthone's first acts was to call a meeting of representatives of pro- and anti-Communist forces facing each other across a tense no-man's-land along the city limits.

Col. Sinkapo, military leader of the pro-Communist Pathet Lao, after an earlier meeting with Sounthone, announced: "The Government and the Pathet Lao are in accord. If we can reach an agreement with Gen. Phoumi then there will be no fighting. If we cannot, then it's war."

Right-wing rebel Gen. Phoumi Nosavan's forces were deployed on the outskirts of Vientiane, apparently poised to storm the capital. They reached the Vientiane perimeter by land and by parachute drop on Friday. The capital was braced for the expected assault throughout the night but no attack materialized.

Troops on the Government side of no-man's-land said they were expecting an attack "from one minute to the next."

Of the 59-member Assembly 29 pro-Western deputies fled to Savannakhet, Phoumi's southern headquarters, during the past two months.

Twenty-two others fled the city Thursday and Friday when paratroop Capt. Kong Le seized the capital in a leftist military coup that toppled a rightist coup less than 24 hours earlier. Capt. Kong is Vice-President of the military junta.

Eshkol and Becker Clash on Wages

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Finance Minister Levi Eshkol clashed with Histadrut Trade Union head Aharon Becker at a meeting of the Mapai Secretariat on Friday by arguing that wage rises would cause unemployment, push prices up, hamper exports and bring pressure on the Government for more subsidies.

Mr. Becker's wage policy for the next two years envisages an overall average increase of six per cent, clerical workers receiving three per cent, industrial and transport workers six per cent and agricultural workers eight per cent.

Mr. Becker believed that these increases would cost an additional IL67m. to IL70m., or three-and-a-half per cent of the national wage bill. He maintained that his proposals are in line with Histadrut policy of raising wages in keeping with increases in national output.

Mr. Eshkol warned that the proposals would cost more than IL70m., and he pointed out that, with all our economic progress, the gap in our balance of payments was still $300m. He said exports had risen but the profits were being "eaten up" at home.

Saying that he agreed with both Mr. Eshkol and Mr. Becker, the Mapai Knesset whip, Mr. Akiva Govrin, asked for a wage policy that would attract workers to productive occupations. He denied industrialists' complaints that higher wages would necessarily mean higher prices.

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Moshe Dayan, said that the proposed increases would push prices of farm products up by IL8.5m. and hoped that this would be taken into consideration when final policy was made. There were only two ways to meet the increased costs in farming: higher subsidies, which means higher taxes, or dearer food.

Mr. E. Aranne, M.K., wanted to know what would be the net gain for workers if, following the wage increases, there would be rises in prices and taxes.

(Battle of the Percentage, Pg. 4)

UAR and Chile Join Security Council

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — The Afro-Asian Bloc on Friday destroyed "Gentlemen's Agreements" that for years have decided geographical distribution of seats on major U.N. bodies.

In the process, it appeared almost certain to have ousted Nationalist China from the Economic and Social Council seat that it has always held by unwritten law because it is one of the five permanent members of the Security Council.

The 48-nation bloc went along with pre-vote deals on three of the four candidates for non-permanent seats in the Security Council and on five of the six agreed candidates for the Economic and Social Council.

But they prevented election by the General Assembly of Portugal as the Western European candidate in the Security Council and of Belgium in the Economic and Social Council.

The Assembly elected Chile to the Security Council for the two years from January 1, to succeed Argentina, and the UAR to succeed Tunisia. Each received 74 votes in the secret ballot.

The Assembly also ratified the agreement last year that gave Turkey a one-year term in 1961 in the place held during the last year by Poland.

But a series of eight ballots failed to fill the remaining vacant seat. On the first ballot, Portugal led Liberia 50-32, considerably below the required two-thirds majority. On the eighth ballot, Liberia was leading 55 to 38 for Portugal, seven votes short of the required majority.

Balloting will be resumed later in the week.

On the Assembly's first ballot to elect six members to Ecosoc to replace six retiring on December 31, five countries received the necessary two-thirds majority and were elected. They were: Uruguay, 77 votes; El Salvador, 75; France, 70; Jordan, 68; and Ethiopia, 62.

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Sharett to Join Agency Executive

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., on Friday declared that he was prepared to join the Jewish Agency Executive as a member without portfolio.

At a meeting of the seven-man Mapai committee considering matters connected with the forthcoming Zionist Congress, Mr. Sharett categorically rejected a proposal that he accept the post of Chairman of the Executive and co-President of the World Zionist Organization.

Mr. Sharett was head of the Executive's Political Department at the time of the establishment of the State.

It is reliably learned that Mr. Sharett's announcement was made on his own initiative.

The committee decided to invite members of the Progressive and Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrahi delegations to Congress to a meeting this week, and to hold a meeting also with the other labour factions — Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Senator Kennedy last night named Dr. Richard Neustadt as Special Adviser to the President on matters of governmental organization. Dr. Neustadt is Professor of Constitutional Law at Columbia.

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Lumumbists Fail to Fulfil 'Beheading Whites' Threat

LEOPOLDVILLE (AP). — Lumumbist rebels refrained from pushing ahead with their threatened roundup of whites in Stanleyville on Saturday, and some authoritative sources here believed the danger had for the moment subsided.

The rebels had threatened to arrest all Europeans "and cut off some of their heads" if ex-Premier Patrice Lumumba was not set free by 3 p.m. on Friday.

U.N. reports from the area said no whites had been arrested so far in Stanleyville itself. But an unknown number of arrests was reported at Aru, a town on the borders of Oriental Province and Uganda.

The U.N. commander in Stanleyville, Ethiopian Gen. Mengasha Iyaasu, conferred during the morning with Gen. Victor Lundula, former Commander in Chief of the Congolese Army under Mr. Lumumba, who now runs the fanatically Lumumbist military police unit holding Stanleyville.

About 100 Belgian men, women and children took shelter in the Stanleyville schoolhouse taken over as a refuge by the U.N. Some experts believed the rebels were having second thoughts about carrying out their threat.

Ultimatum Ignored

Bernard Salumu, Moscow-trained leader of the Stanleyville regime, set a 48-hour time limit for Mr. Lumumba's release, but Col. Mobutu ignored this ultimatum, and continued to hold Mr. Lumumba at an army prison at Thysville, 80 miles west of the capital.

There are about 1,000 whites in Stanleyville and another 1,000 in the rest of the province. The majority of them are Belgians.

Consular officials from the American, British, French, Greek and Portuguese embassies flew the 1,100 miles to Stanleyville yesterday to make arrangements for the protection of their citizens and a possible mass air-lift of the white population to safety.

The mission was given a guarantee of U.N. protection by the 1,800-strong Ethiopian contingent, which easily outnumbers Salumu's fanatical military police unit which has been holding Stanleyville at gunpoint for nearly two months.

5 Cubans to Die For Bid to Divert Plane

HAVANA (AP). — A military court in Santa Clara yesterday sentenced five men to death by firing squad for trying to hi-jack a Cuban airliner in flight over Cienfuegos on Thursday night.

One woman among the accused was jailed for 30 years and another woman was acquitted.

One of the five condemned men was captured in an exhausted condition yesterday morning. He had been tried in absentia.

A higher military court was due to convene yesterday evening to hear the prisoners' appeals.

Four of the condemned men were former members of the armed forces of ousted dictator Fulgencio Batista.

They were accused of attempting to commandeer a Havana-bound Cubana Air Lines plane over Cienfuegos Airport on Thursday night. The pilot crash-landed rather than surrender the plane. One passenger was killed.

The Administrator-General of Prime Minister Castro's Institute of Tourism was arrested yesterday on a charge of soliciting bribes.

Indonesia Withdrawing Troops from Congo

JAKARTA (AP). — Indonesia is to withdraw its 1,000-man contingent from the U.N. force in the Congo, Foreign Minister Subandrio announced last night.

He charged that the U.N. had failed in its duty in the Congo because it had allowed ex-Premier Lumumba to be ill-treated. Indonesian troops were no longer being employed in accordance with the assignment originally given them, he said.

At the U.N., Yugoslavia announced she would withdraw her 21 men — pilots and aircraft maintenance crews — from the Congo.

Hausner Finds Evidence in Paris

PARIS (INA). — Evidence collected here by Attorney-General Gideon Hausner casts new light on one point which had been left open in his report to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion on the Cohn inquiry findings on the "Lavon Affair."

(Mr. Hausner arrived back last night and told correspondents at Lydda Airport that he would say nothing until he has reported to the Minister of Justice, which he expects to do today.)

Mr. Hausner on Thursday evening concluded three days' questioning of a number of Israelis serving in missions abroad who had come here to meet him. He later told the press: "The report as a whole is valid and nothing has changed. One point which had been left open in the report itself must, however, be re-examined in the light of new evidence."

Questioned on the Eichmann trial, Mr. Hausner said that no request had been received from Robert Servatius for a postponement. "Unless we receive official notification from Servatius, the trial will open as scheduled in March."

Asked whether Joel Brand would be called as a witness, the Attorney-General replied that the list of witnesses has not yet been drawn up, and "we are studying this possibility."

(Servatius Report, Pg. 3, Col. 3)

Our Political Correspondent adds that the main purpose of the Attorney-General's investigations in Paris was to discover whether certain documents submitted to the Olshan-Dori Inquiry Committee were forged. The Cohn Committee was unable to verify this point because of lack of sufficient evidence.

The persons whom Mr. Hausner interviewed in Paris were in a position to throw light on this point because of the positions they held at the time.

One of them, Mr. Shamay Cahana, was secretary to Mr. Sharett when the latter was Prime Minister in 1954/55. He arrived in Paris a few days ago from Peru where he has served as First Secretary at the Israel Embassy.

Mr. Cahana was secretary of the Olshan-Dori Committee which Mr. Sharett appointed to inquire into the 1954 "security mishap."

Mr. Hausner interviewed two other Israelis in Paris, a senior army officer and young woman who at the time served as secretary in an important State service.

Due Back Soon

The army officer is expected back in Israel shortly, having completed a study tour in the U.S.

Mr. Hausner was believed to be seeing a fourth witness in Paris. But it is now learned that this man, also an army officer, was questioned by the Attorney-General in Israel a short while ago when he returned for a brief visit in connection with the business of a firm he represents abroad.

It is this man who, when he left the service some time ago, informed Mr. Lavon of the irregularities he discovered.

U.S. ENDS TECHNICAL AID TO GREECE

ATHENS (Reuter). — U.S. technical assistance to Greece will virtually cease in June, 1962, it was announced here on Friday night.

The statement said: "The decision now taken does not affect military assistance, nor other forms of economic collaboration between Greece and the U.S.

Algeria Erupts in Strife as Colon Riots Protest de Gaulle's Visit

Moslems Renew Riots in Algiers

ALGIERS. — Several thousand Moslems led by a band of screaming women marched toward riot-torn Algiers on Saturday night from the suburb of Salembier.

The file of marching Moslems came only a few hours after riot police broke up the charge of 3,000 Moslems from the native quarter of the city toward the European sector.

Police reinforcements were rushed to intercept the Moslem mob. The incident came just as the city seemed to be returning to quiet after a second day of rioting against President de Gaulle's visit.

They were dispersed after about an hour by a police tear gas barrage.

It was officially estimated that a total of 400 police were injured in the rioting yesterday and Friday. Eleven of them were hospitalized. There was no estimate of the number of rioters injured but the total was believed to be at least as great as the number of injured police.

Moslems and settlers had clashed previously in Oran and Orleansville. But until Saturday afternoon, the Algiers Moslem population had withdrawn into the narrow streets of the native quarter while the city's European sector was paralyzed by rioting and a general strike against the Gaullist Algerian policy.

Curfew in Oran

The French Army ordered a curfew in Oran from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. following severe rioting in the town.

The first death in Algeria was reported when a 15-year-old Moslem boy was killed and several other Moslems injured in the Oran fighting.

Fighting spread to Orleansville shortly before President de Gaulle arrived there from Cherchel, west of Algiers. A clash between a group of several hundred Europeans chanting "Shoot de Gaulle" and Moslems chanting "Algerian Algeria" was broken up by riot police and the army.

The President had been booed by a number of Europeans who shook their fists at him when he visited Cherchel.

Leaflets scattered in Algiers streets called on Europeans to carry on the general strike throughout Algeria today for the third day running "as a protest against President de Gaulle's presence in Algeria."

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AMER BACK IN CAIRO

Vice-President Marshal Abdul Hakim Amer arrived back in Cairo yesterday evening from a 10-day visit to the Soviet Union, Cairo Radio announced.

J'lem Chief Rabbi Frank Dies at 88

Rabbi Zvi Pesach Frank, Chief Rabbi of Jerusalem and a leading halachic authority, died at his home in Jerusalem yesterday morning of a heart attack. He was 88.

The funeral will leave from Bikur Holim Hospital at 12 noon today for Har Hamenuhot.

A leading rabbinical figure in this country for 60 years, Rabbi Frank served as Chief Rabbi of Jerusalem and head of its rabbinical court from 1936. Born in Lithuania, he came to this country at the age of 16. His father, Yehuda Leib Frank, was among the founders of Hadera.

The young rabbi's abilities as a Torah scholar were early recognized by Chief Rabbi Shmuel Salant, who in 1906 appointed him to the bench in the Jerusalem Rabbinical Court.

Although a member of the Chief Rabbinate Council since its inception, Rabbi Frank has not attended meetings of this body for the six years since the last elections to

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Rightists Seized In 7 French Cities

PARIS. — More than 300 right-wingers suspected of sympathizing with the "French Algeria" cause were arrested yesterday in a concerted swoop on seven major French cities.

Sixty were arrested in Paris and the others in the southern towns of Marseilles, Nimes, Montpellier, Beziers, Lyons and Toulouse.

Police at dawn raided the homes of about 400 right-wing extremists and seized documents.

An official said the searches were carried out under a penal code article which authorizes all measures necessary to suppress attempts against the internal or external security of the state.

The movements affected by the raids included the banned Jeune Nation, the Popular National movement and the Combatants of the French Union. *(UPI, Reuter)*

Shelter in Spain For Paris Escapees

MADRID (Reuter). — Spain has granted asylum to three fugitives from the "Algiers plot" trial in Paris, Jean-Marie Demarquet, one of the trio, said yesterday.

Demarquet, a former French Deputy, told correspondents: "We are now in a hotel in Barcelona and we are quite free. We have what might perhaps be called protection and intend to leave tomorrow for Madrid."

With Demarquet are Jean-Jacques Susini, former Algiers student leader, and Marcel Ronda, Territorial Army captain. Pierre Lagaillarde, who also disappeared from Paris last week-end during their trial in connection with the Algiers uprising last January, is said to be in Madrid already.

Salan's Assistant

Demarquet said he did not know whether he would meet General Raoul Salan, former French Army commander in Algeria, who is also in Spain, but said he may see his assistant, M. Ferrandi.

He declined to discuss the journey from Paris or the crossing of the Pyrenees — reported to have been made on foot. The three surrendered to the Spanish Civil Guard at Cantallops, near the French border, on Friday.

Meanwhile the mystery of Lagaillarde's whereabouts deepened. It is being asked whether he came to Spain and then slipped away again — perhaps to Algeria.

All evidence indicates that the Spanish police are still looking for the co-leader of last January's European uprising in Algiers. His French friends in Spain also seem to be looking for him.

JEWISH GIRLS SAID KIDNAPPED IN RABAT

ALGIERS (INA).—The Jewish population of Rabat is deeply disturbed over the recent murder of two young Jews and the abduction of two Jewish girls whose whereabouts are still unknown, it is learned here. The four were attacked one evening while on their way to their homes and the bodies of the two lads were found later.

There have recently been a number of reported cases of the seizure and forced conversion of Jewish girls and their subsequent marriage to Moslems. Jewish leaders recently met with Crown Prince Moulay and expressed their apprehension at this situation.

Extremists Seen Broken

By MAURICE CARR, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

ALGIERS. — As President de Gaulle yesterday ended the second day of his tour of Algeria, long-boiling passions are stirring to a new pitch of frenzy. The city resounds to the constant deafening explosions of grenades as these lines are being written.

The clouds and fumes of tear-gas bombs fill the air of Algiers and helicopters patrol overhead. Ambulances carry away the wounded — casualties mainly caused by the offensive grenades of which both sides, *Algerie Francaise* rioters and police, have a plentiful supply.

These weapons produce a big blast to cause a temporary state of shock, while their fragments can injure but are not lethal.

The turbulent European settlers are positively sizzling as the French President crosses the strife-torn land from west to east. It is as if a molten mass of lava were being sprayed with would-be cooling water — with a jet of cold logic of the harsh historic necessity for decolonization.

On the second day of Gen. de Gaulle's trip, street fighting in the centre of Algiers has assumed more serious proportions. Friday's demonstrations in Algiers and Oran were haphazard affairs conducted mostly by students and teddy boys.

Jewish Shops Attacked

Yesterday, while this correspondent was in Oran, Jewish shops were attacked by European anti-Semites.

Some 3,000 toughs of all ages in Algiers are waging what M. de Frejac, head of the Government Information Department here, described to this reporter as an "organized campaign of violence conceived as a trial of strength with a definite objective."

The identity of the riot leaders is not known, M. de Frejac admitted, but their aim is clear: an attempt to bring about a repetition of events marking the settlers' uprising of May 13, 1958 and last January, when Army loyalty to the Government flinched and troops fraternized with the mob.

This time both the Army and the police displayed absolute discipline in the execution of Government orders and there is every indication that they will continue to do so through the rank and file and at all levels of command.

On the strength of this cardinal fact, it is safe to say that the Fifth Republic has at last accomplished what all former regimes failed to do — cause a break in the extremist element who have hitherto dominated Algeria's million settlers. This, barring a personal mishap: assassination of the head of state, which crime is of course compatible with fascist concepts and to which Gen. de Gaulle is breathtakingly exposing himself as he mingles with the crowds.

Colon Power Broken

The *colons* are still capable of rowdy, even bloody, disturbances, but their power is apparently broken. Livid with fear and frustration as well as rage, the partisans of *Algerie Francaise* have been screaming their hostility along the route taken by Gen. de Gaulle, promoter of an Algerian Algeria.

Hardly less pallid and visibly upset, although conducting themselves with perfect restraint, have been hundreds of senior French officers who have converged from operation sectors, from towns, villages and mountain posts to receive a briefing from the President.

By rallying the army behind him, by taming in the process the European ultras, Gen. de Gaulle has virtually carried out two vital initial stages of the three-fold epic task involved in building up an Algerian republic where the governing Moslem majority and the European minority will coexist on a friendly working partnership basis, at the same time maintaining close ties with France.

If his trip is to succeed, if it is not in spite of all to end in disaster, then the third as yet hardly begun plan must be completed — he must secure the Moslem population's comprehension and their willingness to cooperate actively.

Much to Be Done

In this respect, much remains to be done. As this correspondent followed Gen. de Gaulle's trail, he asked Moslems, both members of the elite to whom he had just spoken and men in the crowd whose hands the President had clasped, how they foresaw the new Algeria.

The unanimous tenor of their answers given in different places and different times may be fairly summed up in the words of the Moslem Deputy Mayor of the small town of Ain Temouchent, who said: "We are for de Gaulle. We are for an independent Algeria, like Tunisia and Morocco."

What did he think of fraternal ties with Europeans here? "It is natural for the majority to crush (the French word used was *ecraser*) the minority: that's all there is to it."

Multitudes of turbaned, oft-ragged Moslems struggled frantically among themselves in their eagerness to reach out and clutch Gen. de Gaulle's proffered hand, as he strode into their midst unprotected, fantastically like a saint dressed incongruously in a general's uniform.

Gen. de Gaulle, whose unfailing air of detached solitude never leaves him even when he is being almost suffocated in the press of the milling throng, appears lonelier than ever as he preaches brotherhood and equality in a wilderness corroded with ancient hatreds.

Last Resort

But before leaving Paris with a suite of Ministers and personal aides, the presidential spokesman told this correspondent that the President does not count on verbal persuasion to fulfil his aims but on a sustained series of deeds performed over a long period — and ultimately if the formula of an Algerian Algeria closely tied with France should prove impracticable, there still remains the last resort of partition.

Europeans here are stricken with what Gen. de Gaulle acknowledged in one of his many official speeches as "understandable although unjustified anguish" over the future fate of their children and their homes in a land where four to five generations of their ancestors are buried.

But their good cause is grievously damaged by out-and-out fascists who profess to defend *Algerie Francaise*.

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Dr. S. Lewin-Epstein, one of the founders of the Hebrew University-Hadassah School of Dentistry, was on Friday the guest of honour at a luncheon given by Dr. Kalman J. Mann, Director-General of Hadassah. Dr. Lewin-Epstein retired from practice in 1956.

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A report on Polish Jewry will be given by Dr. David Lazar at 8 p.m. tonight at the Irgun Sheirit Hapleita, 143 Rehov Yehuda Halevi, Tel Aviv.

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A benefit Hanukka Ball will be given by the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club at the Accadia Hotel on Thursday night. Proceeds will go to Mossad Abrahams for Crippled Children.

LYDDA FLIGHTS

SUNDAY

All Times Local Time

ARRIVALS: Air France 187 from Tokyo, Hong Kong, Saigon, Bangkok, New Delhi, Karachi and Teheran — 1710. Air France 134 from Paris, Rome and Athens — 1955. Olympic 602 from Athens — 2050. Swissair 322 from Zurich and Athens — 2108. B.O.A.C. 504 from London and Geneva — 2200. El Al 402 from Zurich and Rome — 2200. El Al 210 from New York, London and Paris — 2335.

DEPARTURES: El Al 401 to Rome and Zurich — 0900. T.W.A. 826 to Rome, Milan, Geneva, Paris, Boston and New York — 0830. Alitalia 453 to Rome — 0930. B.E.A. 127 to Athens, Rome and London — 0950. El Al 201 to Athens, Paris, London and New York — 1300. Air France 187 to Rome and Paris — 1800. B.O.A.C. 504 to Teheran — 2045. El Al 701 to Teheran — 0100 (Monday).

Toys on Their Way

Three heavily laden police trucks will leave from the main offices of *The Jerusalem Post* at seven o'clock this morning and head south to open this year's Toy Fund distribution.

Leading them will be a "pied piper" command car, carrying the 20-member children's flute orchestra from Beit Zeid, which will entertain at children's parties in kindergartens along the route.

Two of the trucks will go through the Jerusalem Corridor and a third will continue to Ashkelon and Beersheba, where other police cars will fan out to cover the southern and Negev areas.

Haifa distribution ran into trouble when five tons of toys, games, dolls, robots, children's books, bicycles, tricycles—the gift of the American Jewish League for Israel in Cleveland—arrived in the m/s. Dagan in the port on Thursday. Stacked above the three large wooden crates, deep down in the ship's hold, lay hundreds of tons of steel plates, and if the toys would have to wait until all the steel was unloaded, they would miss the trucks of the police that will fan out from Haifa on Sunday morning.

On Friday morning, the stevedores on the job were persuaded of the urgency of this cargo, and, in a joint operation of port workers, port police and customs officers, moved the cargo from ship to shed in less than three hours. They will go through customs today.

Friday's cash contributions were IL496.65, bringing the total to IL12,126.53.

IL100 Federman Enterprises, Haifa.

IL25 Irgun Olei Holland, Tel Aviv.

IL40 Binyan Insurance Co. Ltd., Tel Aviv; Israel Bridge Federation, Haifa Branch.

IL25 Hitahdut Olei Britania, Jerusalem.

IL25 "In honour of the Bar Mitzva of David Gelber", Jerusalem; Bing-Linial Advertising, Haifa; In Memory of Rudi Rudberg and his parents, Jerusalem. Anonymous, Giv'at Brin.

IL20 N.N., Beit Yitzhak.

IL18 Monday Bridge Players; Shoham Committee Workers; In memory of our dear grandpa, Jhoshua Landau, from Barbara and Michael Heller, of Vancouver, B.C., Canada.

IL12 Zorn Family, Ahuza, Haifa.

IL11.50 Staff of Feuchtwanger Bank, Jerusalem.

IL10.80 All Pompan Children, Natanya.

IL10 T.C. IOAS; Yael & Talia Peled, instead of Hanukka Present; Lordjau; Ernst Eichenberg, Kiryat Bialik; N.N.; Haifa. Mrs. S. Herzog in the name of her grandchildren, Yael Michael, Shifa, Eliazarii & Yitzhak Isaac; Ilana Meir; Berman Family; Jerusalem. Alica & Sev Osterweil, Kfar Haroe in the name of their grandchildren Deborah & Roni; Mr. & Mrs. Hyman Seligman, Kibbutz Ein Dor; N.N.; N.N., Benyamina. In memory of Susi Martha, Rishon Le Zion; Avshalom and Tirza Barbara, Kfar Haim; Received from K'ar Vitkin; Gaby and Roni; N.N., in memory of Rifka Rosenbluth; Michael and Gabriel O.; Anonymous; Ruthi and Micki Sussi; Percy N. Manham; Tel Aviv.

IL9 Siona, Yael and Atara Potashnik; Mr. & Mrs. Max Meir Rosenbaum, for their 9 grandchildren, Schmuel, Zafrir, Opher, Usi Rimon, Gad, Ron, Dror Alexander, Ilil, Danel Ben Vered; Jerusalem.

IL8 K.U.; Haifa. On behalf of Lea & Dan Riesel, Tel Aviv; Mr. Kaufmann, Rehovot; Nimrod Tsour, Givat Brenner, from his grandparents Paula and Arthur Becker; Lelewer.

IL5.40 Three times "Hai" from Nilli Hechengerger; Doron, Michal & Orith Casseler, three times "Hai"; Haifa.

IL5 Mr. & Mrs. Josef Kapelner, Tel Aviv, in the name of Gil & Guy Oren; Gan Shmuel; Dr. I. Sommer, Meged, Pardess-Hanna; N.N., Nahariya; Ami Dolav, in memory of Marion Hoofien; N.N.; Gideon & Tirtsa Baer, London, with greetings to their friends in Israel. Mr. S. Moses, K. Tiron, instead of Hanukka presents for Yaacov and Llora Moses; Teram & Amos; H. & B.; Michal and Karen Ronson; Anonymous; Hana & Ruth Jerusalem. Yair & Uri, Tel Aviv; M.B.L., Rehovot; Dr. Blumenthal Grete; Sara Wilgunson; Mr. Philip Harris Yosef; Mr. Yitzhak Rabinowitz, Heraliya Nof Yam; Eli and Dorit Raban; Rita Kaori; Shlomo Eppenstein; Doron Eppenstein; Anonymous; Tel Aviv. Mitzpah Hotel; Bessie Schefer; Mr. & Mrs. A. Feinsenstein; Mrs. C. Weltsch, in memory of Armon; Haifa.

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IL2.50 N.N., Haifa.

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Where to go

JERUSALEM

• Tours:—
Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting 9 a.m. Book for the tour by phoning 24681. Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English, at 11 a.m. daily. Downstairs Lobby, Wise Auditorium, University Campus.

Yad Vashem: Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Authority, Har Hazikaron. Conducted tour (English) of the buildings and exhibition, 10-12. Open till 4 p.m.

• Christian Fellowship Vespers:—at 6.30 p.m. in Y.M.C.A. Lounge, following carillon music from Tower. Guest: Rev. S. Selvaretnam of Ceylon.

• Exhibitions:—
Oils and Watercolours by Ruth Levin. Jerusalem Artists House. Rina Gallery of Modern Art — Raffi Lavie, Moreno and Schwartz. General Exhibition of the Gallery's artists. 13 Shlomzion Hamalka. Tel. 23522. 10-1, 4-7.

"Israel Today", permanent exhibition. Binyanei Ha'ooma. 10-1, 4-6.

Bezalel National Museum:—Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. Archaeological objects. Hanukka Lamps (from the late Dr. A. Ticho's collection). Ancient glass (from Museum collection). Persian ceramics (from Museum collection). Retrospective exhibition of paints by Avraham Naton (on the 1st anniversary of his death). Jewish Textiles and 16th century German Prints (Museum's Collection). 9-1, 2.30-5.

Bezalel Art Library: 9-1, 2.30-5. Archaeological Museum, Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. New exhibitions: colour plates "Israel — Ancient mosaics" (UNESCO books); Alexander coin hoard. Tel Mor excavations. Mount Hazophyahd. Lake Tiberias pottery (Link expedition). Permanent Antiquities Exhibition. 9-1, 3-5.

• Zoo:—
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: 8-5.30.

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• Exhibitions:—
Ancient Glass Exhibition, Museum Ha'aretz (near Ramat Aviv). 10-5.

Israel Painters and Sculptors Association: "City Landscape," Artists Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi. 10-1, 4-9.

"Rubinstein Pavilion": Contemporary French Painting, loan exhibition from France. 10-1, 4-9.

"Dizengoff House", Permanent Museum Collection. 10-1, 4-7.

• Symposium:—
"The Theatre, The State and the Public" (of the 'Kol Yisrael series "The Citizen Wants to Know") with M. Asherov, A. Sherf, (Habimah), Hanna Meron, Z. Libiush (Cameri), Dvora Kastelanetz, B. Z. Zilber (Ohel), Dr. I. Melkman (Director of the Cultural Unit of the Ministry of Education). Master of Ceremonies: I. Ben-Porath. Questions from the audience will be answered. Admission free. Beit Sokolow, 8.30 p.m.

HAIFA

• Tourist Centre:—
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hahaluts, Tel. 4878, 47935.

• Exhibitions:—
Office Furniture and Supplies Exhibition, Beit Hakranot Exhibition Centre: daily, 10-1; 4-7. Tuesday open until 9 p.m. Friday, 1 p.m. Entrance free.

Artists House: 34 U.N.O. Ave., exhibitions by Yosef Hirsh (sketches), Ya'acov Leibel (oil paintings and sculpture). 10-1, 4-7. Closing on Dec. 13.

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Abbas: Impossible To Talk with France

NEW YORK (Reuter). — Ferhat Abbas, leader of the Algerian insurgents, told Americans on Friday night that he no longer believed it possible to negotiate with the French Government.

He made this statement in a filmed television programme, "Eye-witness to History," broadcast by the Columbia Broadcasting System over its national network a few hours after the Political Committee of the U.N. General Assembly debated the Algerian question.

The FLN leader said he could confirm the accuracy of reports that the "Algerian Provisional Government" would in the very near future be receiving Soviet and Chinese arms and also the help of Soviet and Chinese technicians.

Had his "Government" as a result, made a political choice between the world's two power blocs?

Abbas replied: "As for choice, I have no need to make it; the Algerian people have no need to make it. On the one hand, there is the West that is lending all possible aid to French imperialism to make war against us, on the other hand there is the Socialist camp which is helping the Algerian people to obtain independence. The choice is made."

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In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court Of Civil Appeals

Before the President (Justice Olshan), Justices Berinson and Cohn.

Yitzhak Shimkin, Appellant v. 1. Esther Romano & Others, 2. National Insurance Institution, Respondents (C.A. 308/59).

Director Personally Liable For Company's Faulty Product

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against a judgment of the Haifa District Court delivered on May 31, 1960 (in C.C. 435/58).

The appellant, Yitzhak Shimkin, an electrical engineer, was one of the directors of Thermokor, a company engaged in the manufacture of electrical appliances. He served as production manager of the firm.

The late Avraham Romano, a kiosk owner, ordered an electrical peanut roasting machine from Mr. Shimkin. The appliance was patterned on an American model and was made by an employee of the company, Mr. Solomowits, in accordance with Mr. Shimkin's instructions and under his supervision.

On May 17, 1956, Mr. Solomowits brought the completed roasting machine to Mr. Romano's kiosk, saw that it worked and left it there. After his departure, however, Mr. Romano and his son tried the machine and found it to be faulty. They immediately went to Mr. Solomowitz's house and informed him of this. The latter promised to come the day after the holiday (Shavuot) and check the machine.

On the morning of that day Mr. Romano and his son opened their kiosk and again tried the machine unsuccessfully. This time they also discovered that there was a risk of receiving an electric shock. The son warned his father to disconnect the appliance and left the kiosk. Mr. Romano apparently switched the current off but neglected to disconnect the appliance from the wall plug. A short while later he was electrocuted.

The widow and her children sued Mr. Shimkin, Mr. Solomowitz and the Thermokor Company (which was then in liquidation and was represented by a receiver). Judge Schall of the Haifa District Court found that all three had been jointly and severally responsible for the deceased's death and awarded the widow and children damages, which he reduced by 10 per cent for the deceased's contributory negligence.

Mr. Shimkin appealed this decision. Mr. Katzir appeared for the appellant, Mr. Goldberg for the first respondents and Mr. Mayer for the National Insurance Institution.

Judgment

Justice Berinson, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, dismissed the appellant's arguments against the District Court's factual findings and went on to consider the argument that the appellant was not personally liable for the accident as the

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post December 11, 1960

IT'S THE LAW

IT is forbidden to fire at fish in the Jordan River (*Fisheries Regulations*).

onus to provide properly tested appliances was on the manufacturing company — Thermokor Ltd. — and not on its individual directors.

The rule is, said Justice Berinson, that a director of a company is not personally liable for the tortious acts of the company's employees unless he himself "joins or aids in, authorizes, counsels commands, procures or ratifies" them (see section 11(1)(a) of the Civil Wrongs Ordinance and C.A. 71/57, P.D. 12/508). Judge Schall had held, he continued, that a director of a company has a personal duty to see to it that proper measures are taken to ensure that the company's products are reasonably free from faults which can harm a customer or anyone else who comes into contact with them. He was not prepared to accept this general ruling, however, he said. For only a director who also fulfils some special function in the company connected with production or who concerns himself with the company's affairs in such a way as to have expressly directed the tortious acts of an employee of the company, would be held personally liable (see 1924, 1 K.B. 25, 1921 2 A.C. 475; and 1926, 2 Ch. 37).

In the case under consideration, therefore, held Justice Berinson, the appellant would not be personally liable for the accident unless he had participated in the production of the appliance, or had caused it to be improperly made or had behaved negligently in a matter which he should have executed himself or for which he had been personally responsible.

The appellant, he continued, had been the production manager of the company and, as such, had undoubtedly had the responsibility for taking care that the company's products were properly made and that any appliances leaving the company's workshops were in a proper and fit state to be used without causing any harm to the users or to those who came into contact with them. The evidence showed, he continued, that the appellant had instructed Solomowitz to use ceramic-coated wires for the roasting machine and that Solomowitz, who had had years of experience, was in the habit of carrying out instructions to the letter. But Solomowitz had actually used some wires which were not ceramic coated but were insulated with a plastic material which had not withstood the heat of the electric heating element, had burnt away and left the bare electric wire, causing the deceased to be electrocuted. While, however, the appellant could not be held responsible for Solomowitz's failure to carry out his instructions, he was responsible, held Justice Berinson, for failing to have the appliance properly tested before it left the workshop in order to see if it would stand up to use. For any proper inspection would have immediately revealed the fact that the wrong wire had been used.

Nor, continued Justice Berinson, could the appellant have expected the deceased, who was not an expert on electricity, to examine the appliance before using it. On the contrary, he had relied implicitly on the appellant to supply an appliance which was in good order and fit for use, of which the appellant had been well aware (see also Donoghue v. Stevenson, 1932, A.C. 599).

In short, held Justice Berinson, the appellant, as the person responsible in the company for production, had not carried out his duties with regard to the inspection of the appliance and he was thus personally liable for the consequences.

Justice Berinson then went on to consider the question of the deceased's contributory negligence, holding that in the circumstances of the case he had been negligent to the extent of 25% and not only 10%, as held by the District Court. Electricity, he said, is a very dangerous element and great danger calls for great care, which the deceased could hardly be said to have exercised.

Subject to the increase in the deceased's contributory negligence, the appeal should, therefore, be dismissed, held Justice Berinson.

Appeal dismissed with IL100 costs.

Judgment given on November 30, 1960.

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English: 2.00 p.m. French: 2.15 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Religious Service (R). 6.30 Musical Clock. 6.50 Exercises. 6.40 Musical Clock (R). 6.58 Programme Announcements. 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Announcements. 11.01 Popular Concert: Rimsky-Korsakov: Suite "Christmas Eve"; Slavik: Violin Concerto in A-minor (Soloist: Boris Gotnikoff); Fibich: "Moods, Impressions, and Memories"; Donizetti: Overture "Don Pasquale". 12.00 Woman's Programme. 12.30 Oriental Songs. 12.45 Lunchtime Music. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Special Programme for Tourists — by Y. Lev. 5.30 Announcements. 5.35 A dialogue with the Heads of the Israel Students' Organization. 5.45 Children's Corner. 5.50 "Jeunesses Musicales." 6.00 Daily News Service for the Agricultural. 6.05 Beethoven: Sonata No. 4 in A-minor, opus 23, played by Mira Feinster (Violin) & Avigdor Reiss (Piano). 6.30 "Music for Sunday." A Special programme for the Christian Communities: Bach: Cantata No. 67; Bruckner: "Te Deum" (Conductor: Bruno Walter). 7.30 "Let's Sing a Song." 7.40 Daily Hebrew. 7.45 "Parents and Children". 8.15 "Musical Monographs" — Fritz Busch. 8.45 Bible Reading: Malachim 1, chaps. 21 & 22. 8.55 Announcements. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 Concert by the Holland Chamber Orchestra. Conductor and Soloist: Szymon Goldberg: Mozart: Serenata Notturna, in D-flat, K. 239; Bach: Violin Concerto in E-major; Lex van Delden: Trio (or Strings; Haydn: Violin Concerto in C-major; Beethoven: "The Great Fugue". 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME:
463, 397.7, 402 & 48.5 M.

Commercial Programme: 5.00 News 5.05 Opening Announcement 5.06 "Tunes & Melodies." 5.50 News 6.00 Evening's Star. 6.05 News & Weather Forecast. 6.09 Hebrew Songs. 6.15 "Duffos 2 Symphony." 6.50 Close Down. 9.25 Opening. 9.31 "The Adventures of Hilary Queen." 10.15 New Records. 10.45 Quiet Music. 11.30 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 4.30 Rumanian. 6.45 Hungarian. 7.00 French. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Magrabit. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Yiddish. 9.00 News in English. 9.15 Polish.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
Arabic Programme (including News): 6.28-7.15 a.m., 1.13-2.15 and 5.32-11.15 p.m. 3.15-4.00.

KOL YISRAEL LAGOLA (32.9 M.) Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.25 Heritage. 10.40 "In the Jewish World."

Programme to South Africa: 6.45 News. 6.55 Heritage. 7.10 "In the Jewish World."

ARMY PROGRAMME (218, 223 and 235 M.): 6.00 Opening. 6.02 Request Programme. 6.40 "Tune and Rhythm." 6.58 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 Classical Request Programme: — Works by Smetana, Paganini, Tchaikowsky & Berlioz. 7.50 "Entry Ticket." 8.30 Army's Diary. 8.45 Nations' Songs. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Merry Rhythm." 9.30 "Hit Parade." 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (25.13, 31.35 & 19.51 M.)

7.15-7.45 News. On the Lighter Side.

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Tiberias			11—26
Haifa Port	42	16—22	16—22
Nitzana	40	14—30	13—28
Tel Aviv Kirya	39	13—24	11—25
Tel Aviv Port	39	13—24	14—24
Lydda Airport	44	7—26	8—26
Jerusalem	47	10—19	11—19
Beersheba	39	11—24	12—26
Eilat	33	15—36	16—29

A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Yesterday's Temperature range. C) Today's Temperature forecast.

ARRIVALS

The Deputy Minister of the Interior, Dr. Y. Ben-Meir, from Australia and the U.S., where he attended the national convention of Mizrahi-Hapoel Hamizrahi (by El Al).

Mr. Leo Dulzin, head of the Economic Department of the Jewish Agency, from Paris and Geneva (by Olympic Airways).

Mr. Woolf Perry, Chairman of the British Zionist Federation, and Dr. Leo Schafler, Deputy General Secretary of the Federation, and Mrs. Schafler, from London, to attend the Zionist Congress. (by El Al).

Mrs. Charlotte Ettlinger, President of WIZO in Sweden, to attend the session of the World WIZO Executive opening December 19.

Dr. Harry Lyons, Professor of Periodontia and Dean of the School of Dentistry of the Medical College of Virginia, and Dr. Lester W. Burket, Professor of Oral Medicine and Dean of the School of Dentistry at the University of Pennsylvania, as guests of the Hebrew University for a fortnight, to study problems of the School of Dentistry.

DEPARTURES

A Government delegation headed by Mr. Yosef Pollak, Assistant Director of the Export Department in the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, to Istanbul, to conduct negotiations on the renewal of the commercial agreement between Israel and Turkey (by El Al).

Mr. Israel Rogosin, the industrialist, and Mrs. Rogosin, to the U.S. (by Olympic Airways).

Premature Baby Flown To Tel Aviv for Surgery

Jerusalem Post Reporter

SAFAD. — A 12-hour-old seventh-month baby, weighing only 1,900 gms., was flown on Friday from Mahanaim Airport to Tel Aviv for surgery to correct a blocked esophagus. She survived the operation, performed at Tel Hashomer.

The infant was flown in a specially warmed crib with a nurse at her side feeding her oxygen and drawing off saliva to prevent her from choking. Surgery was performed immediately on arrival.

The mother, Mrs. Simi Nahmani, 35, of Hazor, is doing well. The father is a relief worker. There are four other children in the family.

Jerusalem Literary Prizes Awarded

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem Prizes for Religious Literature, each bearing a IL500 cash award, were awarded at the Municipal Hall last week to Rabbi Hanoch Grossberg, a member of the Agricultural Department of the Chief Rabbi's Office; Dr. Haim Lipshitz, of the Ministry of Education; Rabbi Eliezer Yehuda Waldenberg, President of the Jerusalem District Rabbinical Court; and Mr. Eliezer Steinman, the author.

Rabbi Grossberg received the prize for his work on Jewish agricultural law, "Hukkat Sadeh;" Dr. Lipshits — for his manuscript, "Eosh Haorot;" to be published within a year; Rabbi Waldenberg — for his "Tzits Eliezer," and Mr. Steinman for his "Sefer Ha-Ba'al Shem Tov."

Deputy Mayor Mordecai Gevirtzman presided in the absence of Mayor Mordecai Ish-Shalom, who is indisposed.

Joseph Blumenfeld Dies in Paris at 74

The death took place in Paris on Thursday night of Dr. Joseph Blumenfeld, aged 74, brother-in-law of Mrs. Chaim Weizmann.

Mrs. Weizmann flew to Paris on Friday afternoon to attend the funeral and to be with her sister.

Dr. Blumenfeld was an industrial chemist. He was born at Jassy, in Rumania, and settled in France many years ago. He was associated with the late Dr. Weizmann in some of his research projects at the Daniel Sieff Research Institute in Rehovot.

He was one of the founders and directors of Israel Mining Industries, Ltd., and a member of the Board of Governors of the Weizmann Institute from 1949.

High School Tuition Upped IL20 to IL40

Maximum secondary school tuition is going up this term by between IL20 to IL40, it was announced Friday by the spokesman of the Ministry of Education and Culture.

The increase was made necessary by the rise in the Cost-of-Living allowance that went into effect as of July 1 and higher seniority pay awarded teachers.

Maximum tuition in the first year of high school will be IL460, as compared to IL430 last year; second year — IL500 as compared to IL480; third year — IL550 as compared to IL505. Maximum fourth year tuition has been set at IL570.

Tuition in night secondary schools will be half these amounts, while tuition in agricultural secondary schools will be IL460 (exclusive of board.)

'Affair' Rears Head in Union Branch Poll

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The effect of the "Lavon Affair" on the rank and file within Mapai came out into the open Thursday with the appearance of competing lists in an internal election for the Mapai caucus in the El Al branch of the Clerks Union.

The two lists were called "Mapai Centre Loyalists" and "Histadrut Loyalists". The former won five of the nine mandates.

The two camps came into existence in the struggle between the outgoing Executive of the Mapai union caucus, backed by functionaries in the national Clerks Union, and the Mapai Trades Union Department. The outgoing Executive was censured recently by the Mapai Control Commission, but ignored the decision and submitted its own list.

The two groups embarked on an election campaign complete with leaflets. The "Histadrut Loyalists" were accused of ternaing the Mapai centre as "a foreign body."

The appearance of the two lists is coupled with reports of bitterness among union rank and file who claim that the Mapai leadership in the Histadrut is too involved in the power fight around the "Lavon Affair" to give people attention to wages issues.

Cuban Union Split On Communism

HAVANA (Reuter). — More than 1,000 members of the Electrical Workers' Union marched to the presidential palace of Old Havana on Friday night in what is believed to be the first anti-Communist demonstration in Cuba since November, 1959.

The marchers were supporters of Pedro Fraginals, the General Secretary of the Electrical Union.

While they marched, other members of the Union were attending a meeting convened by the Cuban Workers' Confederation (CTC) at which officials were attacking Fraginals.

The marchers stood before the palace chanting: "Cuba Si, Russia No."

President Osvald Dorticos Torrado invited Mr. Fraginals and other union leaders into the palace for talks, which lasted four hours and are reported to have been stormy.

CTC officials accused Mr. Fraginals and two other senior union officials of being "accomplices by commission or omission of criminal terrorism" and said they should appear before the union's General Assembly to prove their innocence.

Rabbi Frank

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the Chief Rabbinate. Members of the Council called on him after their session last Wednesday.

Although physically frail and confined to his home for the past few years, Rabbi Frank was mentally alert until the hour of his death. He handed down three decisions on *halachic* questions on Friday at a regular meeting at his home with members of the Jerusalem Religious Council.

He leaves five sons and three daughters. His wife predeceased him by seven years.

Expressions of sorrow were issued last night by Chief Rabbi Nissim, the Jerusalem Sephardi Chief Rabbi, Rabbi E. Pardess, and the Chief Chaplain to the Forces, Alut-Mishne Shlomo Goren.

Rabbi Nissim instructed all Rabbinical Courts and Rabbinical Councils to be closed today.

The meeting of the Rabbinate Elections Committee, scheduled for today, is postponed until tomorrow afternoon.

Klutznik to Head UJA Drive

By JESSE ZEL LURIE, Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Philip M. Klutznik was nominated by the U.J.A. Cabinet on Thursday evening for the post of General Chairman of the $73m. 1961 campaign. Elections are slated for Sunday morning, at the close of the UJA National Conference.

The nomination of Mr. Klutznik, a wealthy Chicago construction man, was made by Mr. Joseph Mazor, head of the American-Israeli Paper Mills.

Mr. Klutznik will succeed Mr. Morris Berinstein, upstate New York businessman, who has served as General Chairman for three years. Mr. Berinstein was the first "Litvack" of second generation American Jews to serve, and 53-year-old Klutznik will be the second.

Mr. Berinstein's three predecessors were all New Yorkers, scions of the Morgenthau, Warburg and Rosenwald families, traditional *shtadlanim* of American Jewry.

Mr. Klutznik is a former World President of B'nai B'rith. He served as Housing Administrator under Roosevelt and Truman and was a U.N. delegate during Eisenhower's Administration.

PHILIP KLUTZNIK

Aside from Ribicoff, he was John Kennedy's most important and most enthusiastic supporter in the Jewish community. It is understood he turned down an important Cabinet under-secretaryship to accept the U.J.A. post.

Governor Nelson Rockefeller of New York and the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, addressed the Saturday night session of the conference.

¼ of Radio's Budget Spent on Arab Casts

TEL AVIV. — A quarter of Kol Yisrael's budget is spent on Arab language broadcasts, Mr. Hanoch Givion, the new director of the Broadcasting Service said here Friday.

Addressing the Commercial and Industrial Club Luncheon, he justified the outlay by saying that while "the Arabs of Israel represent only five per cent of listeners, the broadcasts have a great influence in the Arab states."

He told his listeners, many of whom are advertisers on Kol Yisrael's commercial broadcasts, that Israel would have television in "three to four years." It is technically ready for television and "I am convinced that high standard T.V. broadcasts can be transmitted," he declared.

The Kol Yisrael Director pointed out that a recent survey had shown that while the commercial light programmes were on, they attracted 85 per cent of the listening public at those hours.

Servatius Coming Again This Week

COLOGNE (AP). — Robert Servatius said last night that he will fly to Israel this week to confer with Eichmann on his forthcoming trial.

The announcement came after a meeting with Eichmann's step-brother in Salzburg on Friday. He gave no details of the meeting but simply said, "There were various things to discuss with the family."

He did not indicate whether there was any decision regarding the payment of expenses. However, he said, he would continue to seek financial help from the West German Government, which had previously turned down an application for funds for Eichmann's defence.

Servatius said he can understand the Government's feelings in the matter, but added that the Government is still legally obliged to pay for the defence. He said he may have to take court action to force the Government to pay, but he would naturally first want the permission of his client to do so.

Servatius added he hopes to be able to talk with Eichmann privately without guards being present. He will also confer with Attorney-General Gideon Hausner about details of the trial, scheduled to open on March 6.

"We still have to iron out some problems in order to lay the foundation for the real work," Servatius said.

Servatius also expects to discuss with Eichmann the memoirs which have been published in "Life." He said he is sceptical about the manuscript, particularly since it had been shortened from 300,000 words to 18,000.

KOL YISRAEL will transmit the London Symphony Orchestra concert from the Mann Auditorium between 8.30 and 11 o'clock tonight.

EBAN: ROOM FOR TWO UNIVERSITIES

TEL AVIV. — The growth of Israel's population and its technological advancement justify the existence of two universities, the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Abba Eban, said Thursday night at the official opening of the new semester at the Tel Aviv University.

Some 800 students are enrolled at the University, which has a teaching staff of 136. Most of the faculties have been accorded recognition by the Higher Education Council.

In a meeting last week with representatives of the University, Mr. Eban said he was planning to appoint a sub-committee of the Council to go into the question of changes and improvements which are required before recognition is extended to all the University's departments.

Non-Kosher Butcher Fights Treasury Order

The High Court on Friday issued an order nisi calling on the Minister of Finance to show cause why a requisition order for a non-kosher butcher shop located in the Knesset building should not be withdrawn.

The order nisi was issued at the request of the butcher, Mr. Yehuda Anias, who claims the order was prompted by the opposition of religious M.K.s to the presence of a non-kosher butcher shop in the neighbourhood of the Knesset. (Itim)

BRUCE FAVOURED AS U.S. SEC'Y OF STATE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK. — Mr. David Bruce has taken the lead in the running for the Secretaryship of State in President-Elect Kennedy's Cabinet, the "New York Times" reported yesterday. The former Ambassador to Germany has replaced last week's favourite, Senator William Fulbright, who is opposed by Civil Rights, Negro, Trade Union, and Jewish groups.

Senator Kennedy's aides said they were stunned by Mr. Adlai Stevenson's hesitation in accepting the post of Ambassador to the U.N., which is a Cabinet post, as he had been told that the Secretary of State would be either Mr. Bruce, Senator Fulbright or Mr. Dean Rusk, and he had agreed to serve under any of them.

Mr. Stevenson will doubtless accept next week after the announcement of the new Secretary of State. The delay in his decision is an expression of pique at those in the Kennedy entourage who said he could not be Secretary of State because he had difficulty in making up his mind in important matters.

KARDELJ IN CAIRO

CAIRO (AP). — Yugoslavia's Vice-President Edward Kardelj arrived in Cairo on Saturday for a 10-day official visit.

Eilat to Oppose Delinquents' Village

Jerusalem Post Reporter

EILAT. — Mayor Yosef Levi of Eilat warned on Friday that the Eilat Municipality would not hesitate to use all means at its disposal, even force if necessary, to thwart the projected establishment of a village for delinquent youths in the vicinity of this town.

The Inter-Ministerial Committee for the location of new settlements is due to visit Eilat on Wednesday to select a site for a fishing and agricultural village for delinquent youths, to be headed by Dr. David Alon, a worker with delinquent youth.

The Mayor based his opposition on the experience of a previous occasion three years ago, when Dr. Alon set up a tent village near Eilat. Through lack of supervision, the young inmates took to various sorts of petty crimes.

Some members of the village were sent by Dr. Alon on the ill-fated voyage of the Calypso, whose skipper, Yehuda Bekhar, has been charged with selling military secrets to Egyptian agents in Ethiopia. Other members of the village later set up a brothel in the Eilat apartment of the village secretary, who has since been sentenced for fraud. Mayor Levi pointed out that the establishment of a similar village by Dr. Alon near Ashkelon some years ago had led to a serious rise in petty crimes.

Haifa Councillor Says He Accepted Gift

HAIFA. — City Councillor Ya'acov Tsorfati, charged with taking bribes, on Friday admitted having taken a clock from a kiosk owner without paying for it. He stated this under cross-examination in the District Court.

Tsorfati is accused of having solicited gifts from two kiosk vendors in return for "influencing" City Hall decisions.

He denied that he had attempted to influence prosecution witnesses not to testify against him.

One of the witnesses, who had implicated Tsorfati in a statement to police, told a different story in Court and was declared a hostile witness.

Hearings will resume January 8.

French Fashions To Be Shown in May

LYDDA AIRPORT. — M. Jacquss Heim, leading Paris fashion designer and President of the French Couture Syndicate, said here Friday that a group of models would arrive in Israel in May to show "the best of French fashion."

M. Heim left with his wife by El Al after a week's visit.

Cabinet to Start On Budget Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Cabinet is to hold two sessions today, with the morning session being devoted entirely to the first discussion of the 1961/62 draft budget.

The proposal to extend the term of the Chief Rabbinate and the secondary school teachers' dispute are to be discussed at the afternoon session.

NEW IL50 NOTE PUT INTO CIRCULATION

A new IL50 Bank of Israel note went into circulation on Thursday, it is announced by the Bank.

It is the last bill to appear in the Bank's 1958 series. Other denominations are one-half pound, IL1, IL5, and IL10.

The face of the note depicts two pioneers against a Negev landscape, while the back shows a reproduction of the candelabra found in a mosaic floor at the ancient synagogue at Nirim.

A new coin, a "half-shekel" with a face value of half a pound, will be issued on the occasion of Purim through the Coins and Medallions Section of the Prime Minister's Office, the Bank announces. The coin will serve as the "half-shekel" which traditional Jews contribute to Torah scholars and to the poor at Purim time, a tradition which has been handed down from the time of the First Temple when a half-shekel tax was paid towards the maintenance of the sanctuary.

$100,000 Publicity To Launch T.A. Sheraton

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Sheraton Corporation of America will launch a $100,000 promotion campaign for the Sheraton-Tel Aviv Hotel prior to its opening here in mid-February. The hotel will be the chain's first outside of North America.

Although the six-storey, 200-room hotel will be one of the smaller in the Sheraton chain, the publicity it will receive will be among its biggest, Mr. Phillip D. Shea, Association Director and public relations chief of the chain, told *The Jerusalem Post*.

Four-colour advertisements have been booked in magazines, apart from radio and television programmes.

A RADIO-TELEPHONE service between Israel and Malaya and Singapore will open on Thursday. It will be available daily, except Sundays, between 10.30 a.m. and 2.30 p.m. at a cost of IL18.90 for the first three minutes and IL4.30 for each additional minute.

Haifa Mac. Knocked Down to 5th Spot

Jerusalem Post Staff

TEL AVIV. — Tel Aviv Maccabi yesterday defeated visiting Haifa Maccabi by 3:2 in the main game on the National League soccer card. The defeat of the Haifa side has brought it down from second place in the League to fifth.

Petah Tikva Hapoel, which scored a 2:0 win over Jerusalem Hapoel, now leads by two clear points, with Tel Aviv Shimshon and Jaffa Maccabi closest challengers. Shimshon held Tel Aviv Hapoel to a 0:0 draw, and Jaffa Maccabi came back from a 0:1 deficit to gain a 2:1 win over Petah Tikva Maccabi.

At the Maccabiah stadium, 4,000 turned out to see Tel Aviv Maccabi lead Haifa Maccabi 3:0 by the 65th minute. At that stage Haifa rallied and goals by outside-left Shmulevitch and left-half Ben-Zvi (penalty) reduced the margin.

Tel Aviv Hapoel missed a penalty in the 65th minute and a glorious opportunity to collect both points from Shimshon.

Leaders Petah Tikva Hapoel had little difficulty in overcoming Jerusalem Hapoel, Ratzabi and Nahari scoring the goals, one in each half.

In League "A" first- and second-placed Sha'arayim Maccabi and Tel Aviv Hakoah played a 1:1 draw in Rehovot.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Petah Tikva Hapoel 2, Jerusalem Hapoel 0; Tel Aviv Hapoel 6, Tel Aviv Shimshon 6; Haifa Hapoel 3, Tel Aviv Betar 0; Tel Aviv Maccabi 3, Haifa Maccabi 2; Bnei Yehuda 1, Netanya Maccabi 1; Jaffa Maccabi 2, Petah Tikva Maccabi 1.

LEAGUE "A"

Makabi Yehuda Hapoel 1, Jerusalem Betar 0; Kfar Saba Hapoel 2, Beersheba Hapoel 1; Hadera Maccabi 3, Ramla Hapoel 0; Sha'arayim Maccabi 1, Tel Aviv Hakoah 1; Tiberias Hapoel 1, Hadera Hapoel 0; Hertzliya Hapoel 1, Kiryat Haim Hapoel 1; Ramat Gan Hapoel 3, Rehovot Hapoel 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDINGS (after four games)

	G.A.	Pts.
Petah Tikva Hapoel	13: 1	8
Tel Aviv Shimshon	8: 1	6
Jaffa Maccabi	5: 4	6
Netanya Maccabi	6: 5	5
Haifa Maccabi	9: 5	5
Tel Aviv Maccabi	4: 5	3
Haifa Hapoel	5: 6	4
Tel Aviv Hapoel	6: 9	3
Bnei Yehuda	3: 6	3
Jerusalem Hapoel	3: 7	2
Petah Tikva Maccabi	3: 6	2
Tel Aviv Betar	0:10	1

LEAGUE "A" LEADERS (after 10 games)

Sha'arayim Maccabi	19: 6	14
Tel Aviv Hakoah	17:10	13
Mak. Yeh. Hap. (9)	15: 9	13
Kfar Saba Hapoel (9)	11:13	11

EIN GEV MAN WINS SINAI RUN

KIRYAT TIVON. — The 4th annual, 10-kilometre Sinai Race was won yesterday by Josef Tzahari, of Ein Gev Hapoel, in 35.11.7 minutes. A record number of 700 runners participated.

The race is organized by Mr. Eliezer Segal, Chairman of the Local Council, in memory of his son, Doron, who fell in the Sinai Campaign.

Notice to the Public

HOUSING LOAN (Milvah Shikun Olim) — 1957

Notice to Holders of 8% Registered Bond Series "A" (1958/68)

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BANK OF ISRAEL
State Loans Administration

INDUSTRY FINANCE and COMMERCE

Air France Starts Jet Service Thurs.

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Air France's Boeing-707 long-range jets will be flying non-stop from Paris to Lydda in 4¼ hours, as of Thursday. The flight westwards, out of Lydda, will reach Paris in 4¾ hours.

It is hoped here that the strike of Air France's Boeing pilots for higher pay would not postpone the inaugural flight on December 15.

Air France will be the first to introduce the Boeing jets to Lydda, beating El Al by three weeks. On January 20, BOAC will start its Boeing service, three weeks after El Al begins.

From Thursday Air France will fly the 707's on its flights to and from the Far East through Lydda once weekly, besides continuing twice weekly flights with Caravelles terminating here.

The flight to the Far East continues from here to Teheran, New Delhi, Bangkok, Saigon, Manila, and Tokyo, catching a Qantas connection for Australia in Manila. The return flight will land here on Sundays. There is no surcharge on jet flights flying out of Lydda.

The Civil Aviation authorities have informed the airline that by Thursday the new 2400-metre jet runway will be ready to accommodate the fully loaded Boeing for flights as far as Paris or London.

Alitalia Introducing Saturday Flight

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Alitalia is introducing a weekend flight to Lydda in February. Arriving on Friday afternoon, it will leave Saturday morning, the Italian airline's headquarters in Rome has decided.

The flight will be the only one leaving on the Sabbath, though many lines have flights which leave Saturday evening.

Financial Statements Urged for Borrowers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel should adopt the American system of using borrowers' financial statements as a basis for bank credit, said Dr. E. Lehman, General Manager of the Bank Leumi, at the weekly luncheon of the Association of Engineers and Architects in Tel Aviv on Friday.

This system does away to a large extent with the need to put up collateral and also allows more control over the uses to which the loan is put than the present system, he said. However, the commercial banks could not introduce new systems, unless the Bank for Industrial Development and the Bank of Israel led the way.

He went on to say that the injection of additional credit into the economy by the Bank of Israel would not solve the shortage of working capital in industry and agriculture. The new capital would be dissipated in other channels, Dr. Lehman warned.

Farmers Did Better This Year; Earnings Up More than Output

By ZE'EV SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The comparatively rapid recovery of the agricultural sector during the past 1959/60 season is reflected in a summary of production and gross income totals released by the spokesman of the Ministry of Agriculture here on Friday.

According to the report, the farmers' gross income rose by 13 per cent (IL51m.) during the year, to IL432m. At the same time, production rose by 12 per cent. The farmers earned one per cent more on their produce.

During the 1958/59 season average prices dropped by 11 per cent over the previous year, while production volumes increased by 23.8 per cent.

The summary thus also mirrors the Ministry's attempts to slow down production increases without affecting its higher-yield-per-dunam campaign.

Egg production increased by 14.8 per cent, to an 821-million-unit total; milk production went up by 6.6 per cent, to 925 million litres (and would probably have been even higher but for the first impact of production restrictions); beef production rose by 32.7 per cent; vegetable production went up by 13.7 per cent; and fruit production by 30 per cent.

The figures do not cover this year's field crops (wheat, barley, legumes and fodder) and citrus.

Peanuts Prove Export Success

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Israel's peanuts are conquering markets as far afield as Scandinavia and Canada and are fetching prices up to 20 per cent above world market prices. Nevertheless the farmers who raise them are barely able to cover production costs, according to the chief of the Peanut Marketing Board, Mr. Ya'acov Berger.

He told a press conference at the Kirya on Friday that this year's 7,000-ton export-grade crop is already sold out. Following the success of last year's shelled nut exports (some 600 tons), a target of 1,500 tons has been set this year, in addition to 6,000 tons of unshelled nuts. The latter figure corresponds to last year's aggregate export total.

Dr. Berger explained that the size and taste of the Israel nuts, grown mainly in Negev loess or light Sharon soils, were responsible for the wide demand and high prices. Israel's (shelled) peanuts fetched £127-130 per ton f.o.b., compared to £70-80 per ton for competing Egyptian or Libyan produce. Unshelled nuts command prices ranging from £100 to £120 f.o.b. per ton.

The only country offering serious competition is China, which cultivates the same Virginia strain that is grown in Israel.

Production costs are roughly equivalent to the IL400 per ton earned by exports, or about IL300 per dunam. Farmers cover their losses by domestic sales.

The added value on the dollar earned is 87 per cent — the highest rate so far achieved for any Israel product. In addition to the IL3 paid on the dollar, the Treasury is also reported to be contemplating an "encouragement" bonus of an additional IL80 per ton.

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4. Clean with petrol the sieve at the base of the tank. If the sieve is rusty or damaged, it should be changed.
5. Rinse the tank with petrol, and check for leaks.
6. Check stopper of tank for hermetic sealing.
7. Remove and clean main screw, and the wheel regulating fuel-supply.
8. Remove and clean bottom-tray.

After cleaning, wipe thoroughly all parts of the stove.

With deep sorrow we announce the passing away, after a prolonged illness, of our dear mother, sister and sister-in-law

Hedi Goldschmidt (née Katz)

Gabriele and Tamar Goldschmidt
Lili and Dr. Ernst Seligsohn
Bettina and Prof. Yehoshua Guttmann

The funeral will leave the Ziv Hospital, Jerusalem, today at 12 noon.

Please refrain from condolence visits.

On the thirtieth day after the death of the head of our family

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the unveiling of the tombstone will take place at the Kiryat Anavim Cemetery on Tuesday, December 13, at 10 a.m.

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The Jewish Scene — *By Geoffrey Wigoder*

CHOOSING NEW CHIEF RABBIS

TWO leading citizens of the Turkish Jewish community have passed away in the past two years — the Chief Rabbi and one of the two Jewish Members of Parliament who belonged to Mr. Menderes' party. (He died in prison).

The death of the Chief Rabbi has involved Turkish Jewry in problems of spiritual leadership at a time when it is also confronted with a crisis in its secular administration. The latter is the result of an order from the Turkish Ministry of the Interior breaking up the existing communal organization, including the lay council of the Rabbinate which dealt with the community's secular and financial matters and which represented the local Jewish bodies and community organizations in Istanbul.

The dissolution of communal councils is not restricted to Jews. It is a general rule for all minorities, including the Greeks and Armenians. The Governor of Istanbul, General Refik Tulga, has ordered that each institution and each synagogue is to have its own council in the future. Hitherto, the lay council dealt with the secular, social and financial affairs of the Jewish community, while the Rabbinical Council was recognized as its spokesman on religious issues.

Now that the lay council has been abolished, the question arises as to who will take over its functions. Each synagogue will have to have its own council and each cemetery and charitable body will be administered by its own committee. At its last session the lay council decided to send a delegation to Ankara to General Gursel to appeal the decision.

The 40,000 Jews of Turkey have been shocked and surprised by the news of the abolition of their traditional communal organization. They are also finding the question of a successor to the late Chief Rabbi a problem inasmuch as there is a dearth of spiritual leaders of stature in the community. The late Rabbi Saban held his position for seven years but previously there had been an interregnum of twenty years in the Turkish Chief Rabbinate.

Position in Egypt

ANOTHER community faced with the problem of electing a new Chief Rabbi is Egypt, although one or two local candidates are likely to be available there for the position.

Meanwhile the "Christian Science Monitor" has reported that out of 65,000 living in Egypt on the eve of the Suez War, less than 10,000 remain in the country. Most of Egypt's Jews now live in Cairo or Alexandria while in the Syrian region of the U.A.R. Jews live in Damascus, Aleppo and some other cities. The writer quotes an Egyptian Jew as telling him "There used to be many of us in country villages but life there proved very difficult after Suez. Here in the city we live in peace with everyone."

The writer of the article reports a visit to a large Jewish school for boys and girls from 7 to 14, still run by the Cairo Jewish community but now under the control of the Egyptian Ministry of Education. A large picture of Nasser hung above the desk of the principal who said "Arabic is our main language of instruction. French is the second language — although we suspended it for a while after Suez. We teach English too and we offer Hebrew instruction for those who want it." Of the thousand pupils, less than half are Jewish. Fridays and Saturdays are both holidays and so are the religious feasts of both faiths as well as UAR national holidays.

The Egyptian press recently reported that when President Nasser was in New York, he was warmly welcomed by the anti-Zionist American Council for Judaism which sent him a warm telegram on his arrival "in the name of all American citizens of all faiths." Its executive director, Rabbi Elmer Berger, endeavoured to arrange a banquet in honour of Nasser at the Waldorf-Astoria, but the effort proved unsuccessful.

LIGHT CAN BE DEADLY

By THOMAS R. HENRY

WASHINGTON (NANA).—LIGHT is a deadly poison to some animals. They are killed quickly by exposure to one-twentieth the intensity of normal sunshine.

This has just been reported to the American Association for Advancement of Science by Dr. Barrett Maguire Jr. of the University of Texas.

The animals are ostrocods, small crustaces, which pass their entire lives in the almost complete darkness of deep caves and have become completely adjusted to this environment through the ages. Originally they were creatures of the outside world who migrated into the caverns to find shelter. Over many thousands of generations, they have completely lost their sense of sight. Light absorbing pigments in their shells have disappeared. Temperature in the caves varies very little through the year and they have completely lost any ability to adjust to heat or cold.

Can't Stand Radiation

They have also lost the physiological characters that would enable them to withstand radiation by visible light. They are doomed to an eternity of darkness.

The same phenomenon has been reported in the past for some cave-insects, but it has not been clear whether light, *per se*, or change in temperature was responsible for their deaths.

In Dr. Maguire's experiments, kept in black boxes outside the cave environment, the animals flourished and reproduced. They survived when exposed to alternating periods of light and dark. A dark interval presumably gives the creatures time to overcome the poisonous effects of light and the longer it lasts the better. In all cases, large individuals survived better than small ones.

Survival of Fittest

Dr. Maguire says: "The loss of these physiological characteristics in cave animals is probably caused by the same mechanism responsible for the much better known morphological character of these animals.

"The mechanism is evidently one in which mutations accumulate which are destructive of the developmental sequences leading to pigment formation, eye formation and so on. These persist in cave populations, primarily because there is no natural selection against animals carrying them."

In other words: survival of the fittest, even in the sightless recesses of the earth.

FROM London, S. J. Goldsmith writes: We are having a great debate as to what is expected from the Zionist Congress, what the delegates ought to support and what they ought to oppose. The debate was touched off by the latest exchanges between Mr. Ben-Gurion and Dr. Goldmann. European Zionists do not accept Mr. Ben-Gurion's thesis that the Congress will not be Zionist. From the viewpoint of British Zionists, they are choosing the lesser of two evils. They never liked the Goldmann Plan for the overhaul of the Zionist Organization very much and accepted it only reluctantly; but they like the Ben-Gurion theory even less. So they support Goldmann and are relieved that Ben-Gurion is in a minority in his own party. But they are worried because they know that a minority containing Ben-Gurion cannot just be out-debated and later outvoted.

I think Dr. S. Levenberg, London representative of the Jewish Agency, summed up the mood when he said that European and Commonwealth Zionists feel left out because the dialogue about the destiny of the Zionist Movement seems to be conducted between Israel and the U.S. There are, he pointed out, 2½ million Jews in the free world outside the U.S. Europe, including Britain, will have 64 delegates at the Congress — surely they have the right to be considered?

British delegates of all parties are united on a number of important issues. They want the Congress to devote more time to practical issues and less to ideological discussions. They would like to see achieved, not a cut-and-dried definition, but a decision to have one authority for immigration and absorption, a single department for education and culture and—most important — recognition that there is still room for a Zionist movement in the Diaspora and that the day-to-day work for Israel will still have to be carried out by Zionists and not by well-intentioned groups who send fraternal delegations to the Congress.

Dance Notes

Roland Petit Disappoints

Petit are presenting their "Soirée de Danse." It should really be called "An Evening of Cabaret Mime." From the point of view of light entertainment, of the type suited to Eddie Constantine films or a nightclub stage, some of their material is bright, even well-done. As ballet, it is sentimental and obvious.

M. Petit's choreography involves as much mime as dancing, and most of it is so literal (as in "Rain," based on Somerset Maugham's story) that it is embarrassing. One can only account for the few minutes allotted to Zizi in the middle of this work to sit on a table and powder her nose as a device to enable her to catch her breath.

Zizi does show flashes of the technical brilliance that earned her so many film roles. The trouble is that Petit, who has been working on films like "Folies Bergere," has lowered his stage sights to that film's level.

His own dancing is as heavy as his choreography. Only in the final can-can of "Deul en 24 Heures" did he remind us of past glories. The splendid choreography of the waiter's role in the same work made one wonder why the rest of this dull show could not be brightened up.

The other works included the allegedly scandalous "Carmen," a *pas de deux* full of clichés, and "a Croqueuse de Diamants," which is largely repetitious figures for the two couples supporting the main stars. Their dancing is quite undistinguished. "Divertissement," by this foursome, suffered from the same fault.

There was no scenery and no atmosphere. The costumes, with the exception of those by Clavé for the final work, were uninteresting and unflattering. Some forgettable light music was supplied by two competent pianists, Ward Swingle and Richard Zugaro. Show time was about one hour and a half. It seemed longer.

MEIR RONNEN

ZIZI, AND ROLAND PETIT

Dr. Argov: — Please, Do Me a Favour!

The Chairman of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee has asked journalists to refrain from gathering news on the sessions.

(From the Press)

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FRIDAY'S PRESS

WAGE-POLICY DEBATE

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) does not like the new picture that presents itself in the sphere of wage policy for the next two years and maintains that the Manufacturers' Association agreement to an "automatic wage rise" is too facile. What the worker needs is a substantial increase in wages consonant with his productivity and the employers' profits. The paper calls upon the Histadrut to see to it that his rights as well as his desire for a decent standard of living are respected. The automatic wage increases agreed to by the manufacturers will be pounced on by the Ministry of Finance who will take it back in the form of taxes and levies.

Ha'aretz (non-party) observes that Mr. Eshkol is operating along two fronts—the budget and wage policy and, will not attempt to stem the tide in either of these spheres. He will most likely succeed in mollifying both factors, but this cannot be called a healthy economic policy. We lack sufficient data wherewith to gauge the damage that this double pressure can wreak on our economy, but one thing is certain: damage will be done.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) counters "Davar's" insistence that the Histadrut will decide on the shape of wage policy by saying that the Histadrut is undecided because Mapai is undecided, and insists that the workers do not intend to wait on Mapai.

Uruguay, writes **Herut**, has for a long time been the leading Latin American country to demonstrate its all-out friendship for Israel and, in welcoming its Foreign Minister and his party to our shores, we express the hope that this friendship will continue to thrive. Our relations with Argentina, too, have been good enough across the seas — apart from the temporary *contretemps* over Eichmann — and, with the imminent arrival of its Ambassador to present his credentials, the paper hopes that all will be forgotten.

Haboker (General Zionist) complains that we are bent on confusing ourselves and others as to what should be kept secret and what not, a case in point being the mysterious journey of the Attorney-General on a mission undisclosed. The damage done in a couple of days of guesswork and rumour-mongering far outweighs that caused by a clear Government statement.

HEARD ABROAD

We cannot allow ourselves to be split apart by nuclear fission — Mr. Harold Wilson, M.P.

Internationally Britain's strength rests upon a tripod of the Commonwealth, Europe and the Atlantic and other alliances. But a tripod is a particularly uncomfortable seat if one leg is shorter and weaker than the other — Lord Home

A horrible place, a monument of stone, a place which lacks vegetation and there is not enough air — Mr. Khrushchev on New York

BATTLE OF THE PERCENTAGE

Talks on Wage-Rises Beginning

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE battle of the percentages has started and will continue until the Mapai leadership in the Cabinet and the Histadrut decide which workers are to get what extra amounts in their monthly pay envelopes during the next two years.

Every two years the biennial collective labour contracts come to an end, and the Histadrut has to crystallise its wage policy for the next 24 months. In theory the decision involves all the workers' parties and the Manufacturers' Association, but in practice the real decision is made after protracted discussions between Mapai's Economic Ministers and the Party's representatives in the Histadrut.

It is true that Mapam and Ahdut Ha'avoda have already advanced their perennial demand for an extra 20-25 per cent. They do so knowing that their policy is certain to be rejected but may provide useful material at elections. The Manufacturers' Association has loudly taken its stand on no increase at all, but everyone knows that in the long run the Association will have to yield.

Mapai Tussle

Thus the only real tussles will take place inside Mapai. According to schedule, the Mapai Secretariat was to have drawn up its final wage policy last Friday, but instead it heard an opening presentation by the Head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department, Mr. Aharon Becker. This delay is understood to have been caused by differences of opinion between Mr. Becker and Histadrut Secretary-General Pinhas Lavon. Furthermore, not having made up their own mind, they could not argue with their party colleagues in the Cabinet (more precisely, the Economic Ministers). According to reliable reports the Mapai Histadrut leaders have finally decided to ask for a six per cent increase for workers in building and industry, eight per cent for farm labourers, and three per cent for white-collar workers.

The stand of the Economic Ministers was revealed on Tuesday night at a closed union meeting by a key Mapai trade union leader, Mr. Haim Flexer, Secretary of the 50,000-strong Building Workers' Union. He said that the Mapai Ministers had informed their Histadrut colleagues that they would be prepared to accept an extra annual wage bill of IL20m., but that it was up to the trade union leaders to decide who should benefit. This was less than the Histadrut leaders asked for, of course, and it did not satisfy Mr. Flexer. He told his Union that he would demand the abolition of the unified Histadrut wages policy, and would insist that each union should be allowed instead to strive to obtain concessions from employers. His request is not expected to earn support in Mapai as this would upset the structure of the wages policy.

Talks Tomorrow

The first real discussion on wages is expected to take place tomorrow when Mapai key men of the various unions will meet at the Plenary Session of the Mapai Trades Union Department. Mr. Flexer's Union is demanding a 10 per cent rise and the Mapai heads of the Agricultural Workers Union will ask for 12 per cent, while the Civil Servants Union will back the National Clerks Union in asking for various indirect rises which will be higher than the three per cent ceiling set by Mr. Becker. The actual demands of the industrial workers have yet to be drawn up but they too are expected to exceed the six per cent offered by Mr. Becker.

The discussions will then be transferred to the Party branches and Mapai caucuses in the unions. The Mapai secretariat will consider the situation next Friday. Final policy will be determined on the following Thursday (December 22) at the meeting of the Mapai Central Committee. The programme then decided should become the official Histadrut policy.

Fear is at the same time being expressed that prices have begun to go up even before the new wage rates are accepted, so that the gains will be illusory.

Even if the collective labour contracts are renewed without any marked upset, it does not mean that the labour scene will remain serene. The employed professionals have yet to present their claims, not to speak of the teachers. The physicians are asking for another 20 per cent, with the engineers close behind. The technicians' Union has already asked to have members' grades linked to those of engineers. Both Government and Histadrut oppose these demands and a wave of labour disputes involving these key professions is not to be discounted.

Readers' Letters

SIR MARK SYKES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It was with astonishment that I read in the interview with Mr. Christopher Sykes (*Jerusalem Post* of December 5) this single reference to his origins: "Mr. Sykes (whose late father was a baronet)." The interviewer was obviously quite unaware of the fact (and the interviewee modestly left it unmentioned) that the "late father" was no other than Sir Mark Sykes, a man who occupies a place second to none in Zionist history concerned with the crucial years immediately before and after the publication of the Balfour Declaration. Indeed, it was the opinion of those who conducted Zionism's political efforts in London and Paris at the time, that the Declaration itself might never have materialized without his help.

Sir Mark died in Paris, in 1919, during the Peace Conference, in the midst of his feverish activity on behalf of a Jewish home in this country, and Nahum Sokolow wrote of him in his "History of Zionism": "He was a man who has won a monument in the future Pantheon of the Jewish People."

Yours, etc.,
M. MEDZINI

Jerusalem, December 6.

MURDER OF A FRIEND

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Seven years ago my wife and I saw Israel for the first time. I was then a soldier in the American Army stationed in Germany. When I left I thought of only one thing: my immigration the following year. We intended to settle in my wife's kibbutz, Sde Boker, as I worked in range agriculture in the U.S. We didn't plan buying many things but there was one thing we had to bring — a dog, to warn of danger when I move with the herd. My wife, who was a captain in the Israel Army and knows the Negev well, felt that this was the good thing.

We thus purchased for 100 Marks Gilda von Kewigerberg, a six-weeks-old little bundle of fur, with an ancestry of police tracking and attacking dogs of 12 generations. In Israel she took to life in the desert immediately. She has an ability to smell danger that saved our lives many times.

Our farm in Orot is the last one and borders on a big wadi. Wild dogs and jackals never crossed our land as 'Gila' was between them and the moshav. Weasels never touched our chickens or geese, as 'Gila' was there. When I went over the fields to fix pipes, 'Gila' carried my tools. Eggs were brought to the store on a cart drawn by 'Gila'. Four nights a week I worked in the Negev. I knew that my wife was safe.

On November 3, 1960, after 'Gila' had herded our geese, I heard my wife scream. 'Gila' was lying in the house writhing in agony. We rushed to the veterinary. He said there was nothing to save her. She was poisoned with strychnine.

Two men hired by the Local Council in Beer Tuvia to eliminate dogs entered our moshav on October 31 without knowledge or permission of our moshav authorities, leaving behind them large doses of strychnine.

On Wednesday, November 2, a neighbour's dog 'Kochi' was poisoned by strychnine.

On Thursday, November 3, our best friend 'Gila'.

On Tuesday, November 8, our neighbour's three-months-old puppy 'Terry', son of Gila.

Yours, etc.,
EDWARD C. DRIBBEN

Moshav Orot, Nov. 8.

NOISY CHILDREN

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — There is a good deal of self-hatred in those letters about "Noisy Children." I agree that our children are uninhibited and sometimes noisy, but there is no need for "courageous remarks" such as those about the children making "life impossible by their dirty and noisy habits." "Deafened" does not seem to know much about children and certainly does not seem to like them.

Yours, etc.,
WALTER HOLZMANN

Gane-Am, Nov. 25.

HOT WATER

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In spite of the P.E.C.'s denial, Mr. Bramtzky's charge (*Jerusalem Post* Nov. 30) that deficient information is being published, seems to be justified by facts. The price of IL 24 for the special meter is correct, but I have just been asked to pay another IL 19 for the extra plate on which the meter has to be mounted. The advertisements did not say a single word about such a contingency.

Incidentally, the contract I was asked to sign in this connection would have made me responsible for damage caused to the said meter by fire, theft, riots and *force majeure*, but NOT for incidental of wilful damage. I wonder whether there is need for a better proof-reader or exaggerated confidence in the customers' willingness to sign on the dotted line.

Yours, etc.,
R. L.

(Name and address supplied)

Haifa, Nov. 30

PEN FRIENDS

MISS PEPPY LEEDS, age group 29-40, 23 W. Brighton Ave., Pleasantville, New Jersey (U.S.A.), whose occupation is secretary and fashion model, is interested in international correspondence on reading, music, gardening, travel, spectator-sports and sailing, photography, history and general topics of current interest. She would like to correspond with both men and girls, with a view to establishing lasting letter friendships.

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MUSICAL DIARY

Guests in Jerusalem

The Kol Yisrael Orchestra, Sergiu Comissiona, conductor; Mirza Katz, piano (Y.M.C.A. Auditorium, Jerusalem, December 6). Franck: "Psyche" from Symphonic Poem "Psyche and Eros"; Bartok: Divertimento for Strings; Brahms: Piano Concerto No. 1, opus 15.

SERGIU Comissiona, the chief conductor of the Haifa Symphony Orchestra, put in a veritable guest appearance with the Kol Yisrael Orchestra last Tuesday night. His interpretation of Cesar Franck's "Psyche" was carefully built up and brought finely developed climaxes and a generally intensive performance. It is very good for the orchestra to play Bartok — and incidentally, for the audience to hear him — and the Divertimento for Strings was given a fairly enjoyable rendition.

Comissiona's handling of the Orchestra in the Brahms Concerto was most reliable; the orchestra sounded efficient and gave full expression to the beauties of the score. It was a pity that the opening Maestoso was dragged along in six heavy beats instead in the traditional two beats-in-a-bar which is absolutely essential to bring out the terrific drive of this grandiose theme.

This peculiar interpretation was continued by the pianist, who, amongst other sins, played the second subject *forte* and pompous, though the expression marks given by the composer are *piano* and *espressivo*. Mr. Katz is quite liberal with his brachial strength and likes to play everything a grade stronger than indicated in the score.

The audience liked it this way and greeted the pianist with stormy acclamation. Mr. Katz is undoubtedly a virtuoso of great ability and stature, and a performance of Tschaikowsky, Rachmaninoff or Liszt should be something extraordinary in his forceful presentation.

YOHANAN BORHM